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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Missing Parts Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a one-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed April 20, 2004, said period of response being extended from June 20, 2004 to July 20, 2004.

Our check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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Respectfully submitted,

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